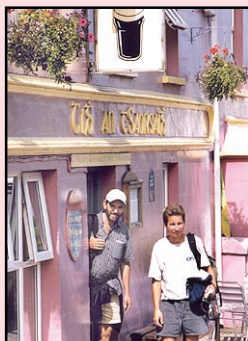


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What is the most challenging aspect of serving your country today? "I would say deployments because you're leaving your family behind ... especially if you have children," said Spc. Sarah Secor, 130th Engineer Brigade. See page 2 for more feedback.



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Traveling through the Emerald Isle on a bicycle takes one down back roads to lively pubs, traditional music and ancient treasures off the beaten path. See pages 14 and 15.



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News flash

AAFES gas coupons

Series 4 Army and Air Force Exchange Service fuel coupons will expire Sept. 30, but will still be accepted through Jan. 31, 2004, at all AAFES gas stations in Germany and the Netherlands, all ESSO gas station in Germany and BP/Aral stations located on the Autobahn in Germany. Expired fuel coupons will not be accepted at ESSO stations in the Netherlands. After Jan. 31, 2004, unused coupons may be presented for a refund for up to a full year beyond the expiration date. Expired coupons must still be attached to the coupon booklet. Customers are reminded to check the expiration date of their fuel coupons. The expiration date is printed on the booklet cover and each individual coupon. Series 5 coupons will be available soon at AAFES facilities, officials said.

Iraq casualty

Pfc. Michael S. Adams, age 20 of Spartanburg, S.C., died Aug. 21 in Baghdad. Adams, a member of Baumholder's 1st Battalion, 35th Armor Regiment, was participating in a small arms fire exercise on the range when a bullet ricocheted and ignited a fire in the building. He died as a result of injuries sustained during the fire.

Air conditioners

Government housing residents should check with their local Directorate of Public Works before purchasing air-conditioning window units. DPW approval is required before installation to ensure the building's design and electrical capacity can support the device. Without advance approval residents can be held liable for damages to the building. Once approval is received, residents should be aware they are responsible for the purchase, all installation costs including electrical work by an approved electrician and maintenance. Residents are also responsible for any costs associated with removing the unit and restoring the window to its former state, officials said. (IMA-Europe Public Affairs)



Photo by Karl Weisel

Dexheim Elementary School fourth/fifth-graders build their vocabulary skills during a session of word games last semester.

Schools reopen today

Increased funding for classes, services

By David Ruderman

104th Area Support Group Public Affairs Office

About 7,000 students across the 104th Area Support Group return to the classroom today.

While many of the 18 schools reported somewhat fewer student registrations than

projected a week before the start of the academic year, most principals and administrators expected roughly the same number of students as last year.

Among expanded curriculum choices students can look forward to this year, several area elementary schools will offer full-day kindergarten classes for the first time. All area

high schools will offer expanded mathematics and language arts support labs, and professional and technical studies, said officials.

"We have two initiatives this year," said Candace Ransing, deputy director Department of Defense Dependents Schools-Europe. "We started the reading lab class last year for students who are struggling. This

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Vehicle reg eased for deployed soldiers

You've got to go downrange or you're already there and your Privately Owned Vehicle registration is about to expire ... what should you do?

"The relevant U.S. Army Europe regulation states that soldiers on operational deployments can have their POV registrations extended at no cost once their deployment is verified by their chain of command," said Capt. Gray B. Broughton, administrative law

attorney with Headquarters, V Corps Rear.

For soldiers who deployed before extending their registrations, rear detachment commanders can submit a memorandum requesting the extension providing the vehicle registration was in effect before the soldier's deployment.

Rear detachment commanders should request a list of POVs from their supporting base support battalion's Provost Marshal

Office using the unit identification code. The commander then submits the request for extension to the USAREUR Registry of Motor Vehicles. It must include the name, rank and Social Security number of the soldier, plus the license plate number and registration expiration date for each POV.

Once RMV reviews the paperwork, USAREUR will extend vehicle registrations

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Commentary

Feedback: What is the most challenging aspect of serving your country today?



Spc. Prophet Beverly
Detachment A,
55th Personnel Service Battalion

"There's nothing really challenging about it because I have such a strong relationship with my god, and he lets me encourage other people. It's like when I was in Iraq, it was the greatest experience in my life, helping people. It's a victory, it's not a challenge."



Spc. Margaret Cabrera
Detachment A, 90th Postal Service Battalion

"I believe it would be dealing with the change — the day-to-day change that we go through from coming in through the gate in the morning, to PT, to coming to work. I work at the post office so the changes at the post office are everyday — all the time."



Spc. Jerry L. Harris II
Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment,
221st Base Support Battalion

"To me there is no challenge in the U.S. Army today. Things are only challenging when you let them be. Being deployed from your family, everything else is just 'macht nix.'"



Spc. Robert Hernandez
123rd Main Support Battalion

"Too many chiefs; not enough Indians."



Spc. Robert Scott
Detachment A, 90th Postal Service Battalion

"In my opinion it would be understanding military spouses and what they go through on a day-to-day basis."

Welcome back to school We encourage parental involvement

By **Dr. Archie W. Bates**

Department of Defense
Dependents Schools
Kaiserslautern District
superintendent



It is with pleasure that I welcome all of you to the 2003-2004 school year. The Kaiserslautern District is committed to Goal 1 of the Department of Defense Education Activity Community Strategic Plan: high expectations for academic achievement and character development.

Our efforts in this area include analyzing test data not only by district and by school, but also by student, to ensure that we meet the

needs of all students. The DoDEA theme for this school year, Math Matters, will be emphasized in all schools, assisting all students in becoming successful in math literacy.

As always we are interested in working with parents and community members. As we know from the research, parent involvement in a child's education is a major key to student success. We invite you to come to School Board meetings, School Advisory Committee meetings, Installation Advisory Committee meetings and Town Hall Meetings where issues regarding education are discussed. Our schools have open doors for parent visitation. We welcome you and embrace your ideas for how we can make our schools, which are very good, even better.

Our goal: ensure no child left behind

Dr. Elizabeth Walker
DoDDS Heidelberg District superintendent



Welcome to our schools. Our goal is to provide the best educational opportunities to ensure each child's success. In our ongoing dedication to helping all children be successful, we will focus this year on the national initiatives being implemented as part of the "No Child Left Behind Education Reform Act."

Our theme this year will be "Department of Defense Education Activity — Math Matters." We encourage you to contact your local school and see what you can do to get involved with the teachers and administrators to ensure all children know that math matters in school and in life.

We have highly qualified and motivated educators, ample supplies and well equipped facilities. In addition we know that in you we have a caring, supportive and involved parent community. We are committed to working together with you to help each child grow and learn socially, personally and educationally.

I invite you to visit our schools, to get involved and to share with us your thoughts about how we may better serve your children. I encourage you to communicate directly with the teachers and administrators in each building to address issues or concerns. For your convenience my office also maintains a website, www.heid-dso.odododea.edu, on which you may leave a message 24 hours a day by clicking on the hotline button. You will receive a personal response, usually within 48 hours.

We are aware these are stressful times for students, parents and educators. We will do all we can to make sure all children are given the best possible learning environment.

I pledge to do my utmost to ensure a safe and secure learning environment and successful school experience for each child.

Commander stresses vehicle safety

By **Gen. B. B. Bell**
U.S. Army Europe commander

Motor vehicle accidents continue to be the leading cause of soldier deaths in Europe. Recently a young specialist was killed in a head-on collision. The accident is under investigation.

Secondary roads in Europe are particularly dangerous, and it is not uncommon to see hazardous passing behavior on these winding and hilly roads. Defensive driving, awareness and moderate speeds must be our watchwords. The commitment of commanders and leaders is critical to help prevent accidents like this from happening again. Drivers must be familiar with the following

defensive-driving techniques:

- ✓ Maintain a safe following distance.
- ✓ Watch your speed. High speeds mean less time to react and longer stopping distances.
- ✓ Watch for vehicles approaching from side streets and on ramps.
- ✓ Always allow yourself a "way out" — someplace to go if you have to swerve to avoid an accident.
- ✓ Be prepared to react to other drivers.

Operating a motor vehicle requires heightened awareness. We must learn to drive "beyond our bumpers." All occupants of a vehicle are responsible for its safe operation.

Our goal is no loss of life. Be prepared to stay alive.

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News and features

USAREUR Land Combat Expo 2003

Retired Gen. Gordon R. Sullivan, president of the Association of the U.S. Army and former Army chief of staff, discusses issues of concern during last year's U.S. Army Europe Land Combat Expo in Heidelberg. All U.S. Army Europe soldiers, civilian employees and family members are invited to take part in the opportunities for professional development at this year's expo. The event, to be held Sept. 9-11 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Village Pavilion in Heidelberg's Patrick Henry Village, will feature equipment and technology exhibits, professional development seminars, historical displays and a wealth of information booths showcasing services and support available within USAREUR.

Photo by Karl Weisel



Safeguarding data

Users will soon need CAC card to use email

By Bob Purtiman

U.S. Army Europe Public Affairs Office

Defense Department employees will soon have a new capability to send and receive electronic mail. At the end of October, email will be required to be digitally signed, and the information will be encrypted using public key infrastructure, or PKI technology.

The assistant secretary of defense for network integration and information has mandated PKI deployment throughout the department, according to Happy Barranco, U.S. Army Europe PKI program manager.

The mandate affects military and civilian personnel, contractors and local national workers.

For people with little computer experience, this may sound difficult. In reality the process slightly modifies current email operations—to digitally sign and encrypt email people will press two new icons on their email tool bar, Barranco said.

PKI uses cryptographic technology that has existed for 20 years, although it has only recently gained recognition as a solution for information assurance. PKI increases the assurance that electronic transactions are protected.

"This program enables us to improve our email operations security," Barranco said. "We'll be able to digitally sign our emails so the recipients know who the sender really is. We can also encrypt and protect our sensitive data from prying eyes."

To use this technology users need to have a Common Access Card with PKI certificates and an Army Knowledge Online email address. Three defense department PKI certificates containing public and private keys are loaded on the CAC's computer chip to provide digital identification, signature and encryption.

"We have more than 55,000 CACs issued in theater," explained Barranco. Of those 55,000, Barranco's office is uncertain who knows their personal identification number and if they have all the correct certificates on the chip they were supposed to have when the card was issued.

The PIN is the six to eight digit number a person entered when the CAC was issued. "I would estimate that 80 percent of the people here don't know their CAC PIN," she said.

The DoD mandate requires all computer-using personnel to be capable of digitally signing email by Oct. 31. Because USAREUR

has units stationed all over the globe, the timelines will be a little different.

"We will focus on the garrison communities in the central region first," Barranco said. "We will then move to the Balkans, where they have just implemented the CAC issuance capability. When people redeploy in theater, we will process them. Units that are deploying will be set up before they leave."

To get set up on the system people will need to know the six to eight digit PIN for their PKI certificates on the card. Barranco recommended that people use a PIN they use everyday, like their four digit ATM PIN, and type it twice. They also need to make sure they have their AKO address associated with the proper certificates.

The only place to reset PINs and to get the proper certificates is at identification card offices.

CAC readers have not yet been received at the 104th ASG, said Holly Nichols, 104th ASG systems administrator. Once they are received they will be distributed and installed by the base support battalion information management officers, she said, adding that USAREUR officials will clarify which emails must be digitally signed and encrypted.

German-American ties remain strong

Family members from the 565th Engineer Battalion enjoy sack races, refreshments and a host of other events during a German-American partnership event at Schoeneck hosted by the Hanau Reserve Association. Members of the German partner unit of the 130th Engineer Brigade said they invited the American family members to the day's outing to continue their solid German-American relations, even while soldiers are deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. German Reserve Command Sgt. Maj. Ernst Lehre, chairman of the Hanau Reserve Association, has made it his mission to keep ties strong for over two decades through regular events including field training, partnership shoots and more.



News flash

Commissary survey

The Consumer Awareness Team, a private industry committee, is conducting an online survey to find out more about commissary shopping habits. Anyone who fills out the online survey is eligible to win one of 250 \$50 commissary gift certificates. To fill out the online survey point your browser to <http://catsurvey.shortsurveys.com>. (DeCA Release)

IMA-E Stalwart Award winners

Three 104th Area Support Group employees are headed to San Antonio, Texas, to represent the Installation Management Agency-Europe, along with an IMA-E employee, as IMA-E's Stalwart Award winners at the Garrison Commanders Conference Sept. 2-5. The 284th Base Support Battalion's Reginald Stewart, 221st BSB's Patricia Simoes and 104th ASG's Karl Weisel were named as having contributed significantly to the new command's accomplishments and high standards of performance since its activation Oct. 1, 2002. (IMA-E Press Release)

FRGs and NTVs

A memorandum from the Installation Management Agency-Europe clarifies the authorized use of Non Tactical Vehicles by members of Family Readiness Groups. Commanders may grant permission to FRG volunteers to use NTVs if:
• NTVs are used only for official purposes.
• Vehicle support is necessary and failure to provide vehicle support would have an adverse effect on morale or family readiness.
• The driving requirement is part of the FRG volunteer job description.
• Volunteers have valid driver's licenses in the country where the vehicle is primarily based or operated.
• The local Provost Marshal screens driving records of potential NTV operators.
• The use of the vehicle can be provided without detriment to the accomplishment of the unit's mission. Commanders may issue an SF46 (Military Operators Permit) without additional testing to people who present a valid U.S. Army Europe driver's license for the class of vehicle to be operated. Authority is limited to operating NTVs under 10,000 pounds gross vehicle weight. The vehicles may not be driven for personal use or convenience. The use of NTVs by FRGs may not be used to justify leasing additional vehicles. (IMA-E Public Affairs)

AWAG goes online

American Women's Activities Germany, a nonprofit organization representing all branches of the armed forces and civilians serving in Germany, can be reached online at www.awag.us. Upcoming events, articles of interest and bulletin boards can be found at the site. (Courtesy of AWAG)

News and features

Schools reopen

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year we're adding a language arts lab class where students can work on their writing and communication skills."

Additionally geometry support labs will be added to algebra support labs that were established last year. The additional funding for teaching staff and materials is being made available through a five-year Program Objective Memorandum initiative to bring the curriculum to all high schools in the system regardless of size, she said.

"It's on three different levels: one is algebra, one is geometry and one is reading," said James Funk, assistant principal of Baumholder American High School. "Next year we'll expand that to include algebra 2." The school added teaching staff under the POM last year and will launch a study lab this year where students can work on their assignments with the appropriate software to increase their proficiency and test scores.

"We have a number of new offerings in math support and technical education," said Dr. Allen Davenport, Giessen Middle-High School principal.

"What we have as part of the high school initiative is to bring practical courses into school. Most of these are certificate-type courses," said Giessen assistant principal Walter Ulrich. "They're programming robotics; they're programming computers. This is all new; they just established the lab this year. These are taught to industrial standards. When kids come out of here they've got certificates to show that they've worked on specific kinds of equipment and tools, and are competent and experienced."

State-of-the-art gear

"We were authorized an additional technology education teacher slot," said Gen. H.H. Arnold High School electronics technology instructor Frank Pendzich. "The program changed significantly. We received over the summer nearly \$200,000 worth of state-of-the-art equipment — robotics materials, computer-aided design and manufacturing equipment, industrial hydraulics and pneumatics machinery. Last year we had about 115 kids involved by the end of the school year. This year we expect about 200 to participate. It's still an elective course and most kids take one. It's all hands-on activities. The emphasis is teaching kids elements of engineering so if they want to go to college they can get an idea of what's really involved if they want to pursue it."

Some students will benefit from the technical courses whether they go on to college or not through two programs that offer industry certified education, said Pendzich. "One is a computer service and support class that was developed



Photo by Karl Weisel

Students design and construct model transporters in a technical studies class at Giessen Middle/High School last year.

at H.H. Arnold and is now in use across the DoDDS system. The second is a class in router technology originated by the Cisco Corporation that teaches students to work with systems that are the backbone of the Internet.

"If kids can acquire these certificates they can move right into the work force," said Pendzich. "It's great having the support to offer state-of-the-art curriculum to students. When you have the best equipment and the best teachers you get the best results."

Another POM that begins this term will bring \$56.5 million of funding to Department of Defense Education Activity schools worldwide over a six-year cycle. It will make additional staffing available to address the needs of special education students in kindergarten through 12th grade, said Ransing.

"The biggest change we're seeing is that we get all the additional staffing in one year. Assessment teams will relieve teachers to do more service delivery — that is working directly with students. The other thing we're going to be able to do is have additional paraprofessional support personnel to deal with the clerical aspects, so again teachers will have more time to spend with students," she said.

Training begins this month for the assessment staff and will continue through the school year. Parents of children with disabilities will also be invited for information and education sessions.

"It's training and parent training in understanding disabilities. For parents we're looking at a formal training beginning in the second semester. We've also got dollars for classrooms for special needs children — furniture and equipment — that takes a while to get into the classroom." The funding will be targeted at designated Category IV schools in Baumholder, Hanau and Wiesbaden, where children with disabilities are concentrated, said Ransing.

Vehicle reg

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from the original deployment date, up to the total number of months the soldier was deployed, not to exceed 24 months from the last inspection.

When vehicles are placed in government or unit storage facilities, the facility custodian will notify RMV, which will in turn deactivate and extend the vehicle registration accordingly. Soldiers and storage facility staff complete the necessary paperwork at the site to extend vehicle registration as part of the process of placing the vehicle in storage.

Before removing a POV from government or unit storage, soldiers must obtain proof of insurance from their insurance company, take the documentation to their local vehicle registration office and pick up a new registration with an

extended expiration date. There is no cost to the soldier for the new registration.

Vehicle storage custodians will not release a vehicle unless the soldier's registration has the words "Deploy Return" on it. POVs will not be released until soldiers complete this process.

Soldiers who do not place their vehicles in storage must take action to ensure that their vehicle registration does not expire.

At present deploying soldiers who have jointly registered their vehicles with their spouses may take advantage of the no-cost vehicle registration extension described above; however, this privilege is subject to change. (*V Corps Release*)

School contacts

Below are telephone number contacts for school principals, school liaison officers and district superintendents who steer Department of Defense Dependents Schools in the 104th Area Support Group.

The Heidelberg District Superintendent's Office is responsible for the 14 schools in the 221st, 284th and 414th Base Support Battalions, and the Kaiserslautern DSO is responsible for the four schools in the 222nd BSB.

Additionally each base support battalion has a schools liaison officer engaged in coordinating support among the schools and the communities they serve.

Heidelberg District Superintendent's Office

Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Walker — mil 388-9383

221st Base Support Battalion

Schools liaison officer: Sandy McGillivray — mil 337-7004

Dexheim Elementary School: Principal Ora Flippen-Casper — mil 334-5876

Aukamm Elementary School: Principal Dr. Judith Sessions — mil 337-6260/6261

Hainerberg Elementary School: Principal Mark Benham, assistant principal Wanda McKinzy — mil 337-5873/5160/5552

Wiesbaden Middle School: Principal Dr. Peter Price, assistant principal Barbara Hickman — mil 337-6251/6258

Gen. H.H. Arnold High School: Principal Dr. Larry Sessions, assistant principals Sharon O'Donnell and Dr. David Theis — mil 337-6319/6238/5348

284th Base Support Battalion

Schools liaison officer: Tina Sandell — mil 343-7047

Bad Nauheim Elementary School: Principal Charles Ragland — civ (06032) 86800

Butzbach Elementary School: Principal Sue Morin — civ (06033) 74520

Giessen Elementary School: Principal Barbara Mueller — mil 343-7248/6690

Giessen Middle-High School: Principal Dr. Allen Davenport, assistant principal Walter Ulrich — mil 343-7333/7259

414th Base Support Battalion

Schools liaison officer: Herb Carman — mil 322-1770

Argonner Elementary School: Principal Dr. David Trukositz, assistant principal Monica Harvey — mil 322-8819/8374

Gelnhausen Elementary School: Principal Dr. Shirley Sheck — civ (06051) 13011



Sportfield Elementary School: Principal Eric Gentry — mil 322-8600/8990

Hanau Middle School: Principal Georgia Williams-Fitzpatrick, assistant principal Martha Duncan — 322-8647/8649

Hanau High School: Principal Terri Marshall, assistant principal Kenneth Harvey — mil 322-8714/8516

Kaiserslautern District Superintendent's Office

Superintendent: Dr. Archie Bates — mil 489-6339

222nd Base Support Battalion

Schools liaison officer: Gene Winfree — 485-1770

Neubrück Elementary School: Principal Wayne Dozark — mil 485-7720

Smith Elementary School: Principal Bill Rose, assistant principal Helen Balilo — mil 485-7589

Wetzel Elementary School: Principal Debra Brooks — mil 485-7492

Baumholder American High School: Principal Dominick Calabria, assistant principal James Funk — mil 485-7590

Team comes together for community

By Cassandra Kardeke
221st Base Support Battalion
Public Affairs Office

After months of being closed the Wiesbaden Treasure Trove Thrift Shop opened its doors with a new look Aug. 26.

Operated by the Wiesbaden Community Spouses Club, the shop was closed in June because of a lack of volunteers to help run it, but it didn't take long for three community spouses to step up to the challenge. Marie Muschek, Debbie Higgins and Linda Hall not only got the store re-opened, but renovated it as well.

"These ladies put in a lot of work to do a really good thing for the community and it shows as soon as you walk in the door," said Command Sgt. Maj. Stephen Smith, 221st Base Support Battalion.

After receiving approval through the WCSC, the women gathered their families and community volunteers together to clean out, repaint, renovate and decorate the shop. First to be taken care of was a complete inventory of items left in the store as well as all that had been donated in recent months.

"There was so much old stuff that had been here forever, so we decided to have a bag sale in early August," said Higgins. The bag sale allowed customers to fit as much as they could into a paper bag for only \$3 and was a success.

"It helped get rid of a lot of old things that typically would never sell," said Rich Muschek. Following the bag sale the women divided up other items that had been left in the store for over a year and sent them downrange to be distributed to Iraqi families in need.

Then the really hard work began. Having already decided to give the shop a boutique-like atmosphere the women began renovating the small house, installing shelving, painting the walls and decorating the rooms. "It was six weeks of blood and sweat getting this all done in time to re-open," said Higgins.

"I love the whole theme, it's just wonderful," said Regina Jones, a regular customer of the Treasure Trove. Jones, who lives across the street from the shop, remembered all too well how it looked before being overhauled. "It was so full of garbage and just overcrowded.

Now even the clothes look better," she said.

"It looks so much more like an actual shop now," said another regular customer, Lisa Johnson.

"A thrift shop is a major contributing factor to any community, and what these women did was prove the motto of Team 221st where 'Together Everyone Accomplishes More'," said Smith during the ribbon cutting ceremony.

Beginning Sept. 2 the Treasure Trove will be open every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4-7 p.m., Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the first Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Donations can be made during operating hours; however, due to the new management, consignments will not be taken until mid-September. The Treasure Trove is located at California Strasse 8 in Hainerberg Housing and can be reached at civ (0611) 74261.



Photo by Rich Muschek

Melia Flanagan paints a scene above a doorway at the Treasure Trove Thrift Shop in Hainerberg Housing. Below: Jill Spencer, who recently arrived from Egypt, checks out transformers at the thrift shop for her home computer.



Photo by Cassandra Kardeke



Photo by Pfc. Susan Newsome

Take a walk on the dry side

Nierstein residents walk along a "beach" along the Rhein River where no beach existed before. Although the heat wave that struck Europe last month has ended, the effects are still visible throughout much of Germany. Currently at its lowest level since 1976, the Rhein serves as a major transportation route throughout Germany. "Due to the low water many ships must load 40-60 percent less than their normal load, which raises the prices for customersexpecting shipments of goods," said Rudigen Beiser of the German River and Transportation Authority in Mainz. Businesses aren't the only ones hurting. With such low water levels all along the river, the quality of water has also dropped killing off many fish and other animals that depend on the river as well.

Back to school news

Bus safety

Now that school has started again, drivers are reminded to drive carefully around the schools and throughout housing areas. Although German law does not require drivers to stop while buses are on- or off-loading on local streets, drivers are required to stop while in housing areas or on military installations throughout Germany.



program. Pre-teens and teens can attend any of several programs offered after school at the Youth Center including a homework assistance program and several leadership clubs. All students must be enrolled to participate. Stop by CYS in building 7790 in Hainerberg

Housing or call civ (0611) 705-5383 for more information.

Early school release

Aukamm, Hainerberg and Dexheim Elementary Schools will release students at 11 a.m. Sept. 2.

Open houses

The Aukamm and Hainerberg Elementary Schools will host an Open House for parents from 1-2:30 p.m. Sept. 2. Dexheim Elementary will host an Open House during school hours from 9-11 a.m. Sept. 2. Following dismissal of students at 11 a.m., both parents and students are invited to attend a picnic held by the Dexheim Parent Teacher Association on the school grounds. Wiesbaden American Middle School hosts an Open House for parents Sept. 4 at 5:30 p.m. and Gen. H.H. Arnold High School's Open House will be held Sept. 18 at 5:30 p.m.

After school care

Wiesbaden Child and Youth Services offers after school care for children in first through fifth grade through their School-Age Services